

Application No.: 10/614,886

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**Amendments to the Drawings:**

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figures 1 and 2. This sheet, which includes Figures 1 and 2, replaces the original sheet including Figures 1 and 2.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet.

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

The drawings have been amended to show the opening means in the form of a second score line at the other end of the elongated tubular housing. A replacement sheet is submitted.

Claims 1, 7, and 16 have been amended to more accurately define the invention claimed.

Applicant's claimed invention is a swab packaging with separated liquid and dry compound. The swab applicator comprises an elongated tubular housing enclosing a liquid. The swab applicator has an opening means that does not separate the liquid from the dry compound to release the liquid to an applicator tip affixed to one end of the elongated tubular housing. The opening means is positioned near the sealed end of the elongated tubular housing, away from the other end of the elongated tubular housing with the applicator tip. Therefore, the opening means does not separate the liquid in the elongated tubular housing from the dry compound in the applicator tip. When the liquid is released into the applicator tip through operating the opening means, the liquid in the moisturized applicator tip will interact with the dry compound in the correct predetermined ratio for application.

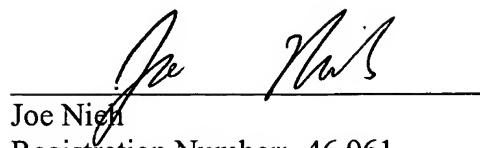
Applicant hereby submits that the claim rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, have all been overcome. Therefore, applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

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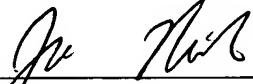
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